

**COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES**  
**(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)**

Chairman: Mr. Timothy J. Callanan, District No. 2

A special meeting of the Committee on Community Services, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on Monday, July 25, 2011, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:02 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4; Committee Member Dennis Fish, Council District No. 5; Committee Member Caldwell Pinckney, Council District No. 7; ex-officios Mr. Daniel W. Davis, County Supervisor, Mr. Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1, Mr. Jack Schurlknight, Council District No. 6, and Mr. Steve Davis, Council District No. 8; Ms. Nicole Scott Ewing, County Attorney; Ms. Elizabeth Cannon, Assistant County Attorney; and Ms. Catherine Windham, Interim Clerk of Council.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman Callanan called the meeting to order. Mr. Chip Boling gave the Invocation, and Council Member Fish led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Chairman Callanan: "First on the agenda is approval of minutes from June 13, 2011 and June 27, 2011."

It was moved by Committee Member Cathy Davis and seconded by Committee Member Fish to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

**A. Discussion of a resolution regarding lighting at the Daniel Island Library**

Chairman Callanan: "And, I wanted to discuss this if – Frank Carson, I just wanted to go over what the past is on this and how we move forward."

Mr. Frank Carson, Berkeley County Engineer: "I don't have the new information, so I have the old information."

Chairman Callanan: "Sure."

Mr. Carson: "The Daniel Island Library has been completed for a couple of years. After completion, it was open. Our project manager got a call from the city – well, I think, first from a citizen about lighting on Barfield?"

Chairman Callanan: "Lynne Lane and Daniel Island Drive."

Mr. Carson: "Ok; our records are Barfield Street..."

Chairman Callanan: "Yeah, Lynne Lane and Barfield, it ends at one street, and then it becomes Lynne Lane, so that's why they..."

Mr. Carson: "Ok; and, they sent us a letter with a price of twenty – between twenty-two and twenty-three thousand dollars to add lighting, which was not part of our project. Apparently, the city felt – the city said that it had been a requirement of the city to provide street lights when a project is done, and it wasn't part of our budget; it wasn't part of our requirement. We've been going back and forth. They have yet to produce anything in their ordinance that requires it of us."

Chairman Callanan: "And just so I can kind of freshen up, because I've been doing some work on this, as well. Part of the issue, as well, and I think the city can seek this, is that they gave us a CO (Certificate of Occupancy)..."

Mr. Carson: "Yes."

Chairman Callanan: "...and that if it was a requirement, and we could have addressed it at that time, not several years down the road."

Mr. Carson: "That's correct. The drawings for the project, which they approved, have a note on it, that street lighting designs shown as by SCE&G. SCE&G is responsible for installation and operation of the street lighting. So, we feel like we were – and they gave us a CO. We were in the building, so it came up after the fact. The project had been closed. The funds..."

Chairman Callanan: "Correct, right; and that's my – that was my issue with them. But, since then, and this is why I'm not gonna take action tonight, but see if we have a path moving forward on this. The city has agreed, or at least into a letter to me, that they will cover the cost of the lighting installation on Lynne Lane, which my understanding is the majority of the lighting installations or half of it, at least?"

Mr. Carson: "Well, the drawing only showed lighting on that road, and there were six street lights."

Chairman Callanan: "And it did not show any on Daniel Island Drive?"

Mr. Carson: "No, Sir."

Chairman Callanan: "Ok."

Mr. Carson: "Not on our drawings or on the drawings sent by SCE&G."

Chairman Callanan: “Ok; I wasn’t aware of that, but...”

Mr. Carson: “There’s one, there is one right at the intersection.”

Chairman Callanan: “Ok; so, that may be a case where I’m hoping that if the city, as a way of kind of owning up to their responsibility on this by giving us a CO, that we may be willing to contribute the non-Lynne Lane lighting. I mean, it’s a safety issue, which is what the problem is, that normally, there is lighting on all surrounding the library in itself, and in this case, it’s probably the only place in the entire neighborhood that has no street lighting. So, that was the point. I wanted to bring it up just to kind of forewarn people what was going on, and that if we do get some sort of firm, written agreement from the city, we may be willing to accept responsibility for our portion of it, which is substantially lower than what the city’s is. So, I don’t necessarily need a resolution, but I did want to bring this up for conversation. And, I don’t know, normally, where, if we were to provide this. Would this come out of the Library funds? No?”

[Laughter]

Chairman Callanan: “No; I’m just asking.”

Mr. Carson: “Well, it’s part...”

Chairman Callanan: “Well, and the other issue too is, I want to bring this up. I mean, the residents of Daniel Island have been extremely generous with regards to the Library, and the Friends of the Library, and all, everything that’s involved there; whereas, I wanted to make sure that we’re not in a situation where if any of that, we are looking like we’re not acting in good faith on this, because like I said, it is a safety issue. And, my opinion is had it been brought up to us by the city in time, you know, we would have, more than likely, installed the lights at that time, but they didn’t, so you know, now, we’re after the fact.”

Mr. Carson: “I would recommend we wait until we get a proposal from them, and then we can look at that, and depending on the amount, come back with some options about where the funds could come from.”

Chairman Callanan: “That’s fine; thank you. So, there’s no need for a vote on that unless there’s any questions or discussion on it.”

**B. Discussion of a resolution to provide matching funds for a Community Development Block (CDBG) Grant Application for the St. Stephen Library**

Ms. Donna Osborne, Library Director: “I have been working with COG, Council of Governments, Darryl Bullock, about this resolution. We come before you tonight asking that you approve this resolution to match ten percent of the total grant funds that we would be able to

raise with this. There's a possibility of \$500,000 in grant funds to help with the St. Stephen Library."

Supervisor Daniel Davis: "Mr. Chairman?"

Committee Member Fish: "How much?"

Chairman Callanan: "Yes, Mr. Davis."

Supervisor Daniel Davis: "We need to give an update on what has transpired with the Library in St. Stephen. Originally, we had some money designated to purchase land for a new Library in St. Stephen. Since that time, the Head Start Program now has gone over to the School District, and Head Start actually occupied the old Thomas Myers School Building. And, now the town, because that is now vacant space, the town has requested that the County look at putting the Library in the old school building, which obviously, would save us a lot of money. And, in the meantime, the COG has indicated that this would make a good Community Development Block Grant Application, so we're – Donna's here tonight to request permission to pursue that grant application, and then that money would be used to renovate, to make ready for the Library in an existing building."

Chairman Callanan: "And then, what would happen with the funds put aside for purchasing the land?"

Supervisor Daniel Davis: "Well, the surplus, if there is any surplus dollars, then we could just re-designate that for something else."

Chairman Callanan: "But, as I am saying, that would essentially go towards our match on this..."

Supervisor Daniel Davis: "Well, that's where the match would come from."

Chairman Callanan: "Ok; thank you."

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to approve consideration of a resolution authorizing to file and provide matching funds for Community Development Block Grant Application to expand Library facilities in St. Stephen Community. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

**C. Ms. Donna Osborne, Library Director, Re: Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant for Mobile Literacy Mobile**

Ms. Osborne: "Yes; we've been applying for the past year or so for funds to put on the road a state-of-the-art bookmobile, and this is one of our successes. This grant was funded through the State Library for \$50,000. The funds will become available in October and must be expended by August of 2012. In the meantime, our Friends Group has been putting aside funds

and trying to raise other funds. They've also submitted a grant, in the amount of \$50,000.00, to BI-LO Charities, and we should be hearing aye or nay on that in September or October. So, we ask your permission here to accept the funds, in the amount of \$50,000.00."

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to approve acceptance of a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant, in the amount of \$50,000.00, to be issued by the SC State Library beginning October 1, 2011. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

It was moved by Committee Member Cathy Davis and seconded by Committee Member Fish to adjourn the special meeting of the Committee on Community Services. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Ms. Osborne: "Chairman Callanan, there is one other small item that's not listed on your agenda. We found out just recently that..."

Mr. Callanan: "Hold on, how do I do this? Is it something we have to vote on?"

Ms. Osborne: "Yes; so, I need to know how to proceed on this too."

Mr. Farley: "Reopen the meeting."

Mr. Callanan: "So, just call a new meeting back into order?"

**Without objection from the Committee, Mr. Callanan called the meeting back to order.**

Ms. Osborne: "At the same time that we found out that we were awarded the \$50,000.00 grant, we also learned of a small **\$1,500.00 opportunity called the GrandFamily Resource Center**, and that was a **non-competitive grant through the State Library**, and those funds would be used to set up a GrandFamily Resource Center. It's specifically designed for grandparents who have the custody and the responsibility of raising their grandchildren. So, we have been awarded \$1,500.00 to do that."

Committee Member Pinckney: "Move for approval."

Chairman Callanan: "So, it's a motion to accept those funds."

Ms. Osborne: "Yes, please."

It was moved by Committee Member Cathy Davis and seconded by Committee Member Fish to approve acceptance of a grant from the GrandFamily Resource Center, in the amount of \$1,500.00. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Ms. Osborne: "Thank you."

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member Cathy Davis to adjourn the special meeting of the Committee on Community Services. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

September 12, 2011  
Date Approved

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Mr. Daniel W. Davis, Supervisor, ex officio

A **special meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, will be held on **Monday, July 25, 2011**, at **6:00 p.m.**, following other scheduled meetings in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

**AGENDA**

**INVOCATION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**June 13, 2011**

**June 27, 2011**

- A. Discussion of a Resolution regarding lighting at the Daniel Island Library.**
- B. Discussion of a Resolution to provide matching funds for a Community Development Block (CDBG) grant application for the St. Stephen Library.**
- C. Ms. Donna Osborne, Library Director, Re: Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant for Mobile Literacy Mobile.**

July 20, 2011  
S/Catherine R. Windham  
Acting Clerk of County Council